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- 1. AS YOU MAY KNOW, LATE LAST MONTH ADB APPROVED NEW CRITERIA FOR ACCESS OF SINGAPORE AND HONG KONG TO BANK FACILITIES. NEW POLICY ABOLISHES OLD INTEREST RATE DIFFERENTIAL IN FAVOR OF SHORTENING LOAN MATURITY DATES. UNDER NEW GUIDELINES LOANS SHOULD CARRY A MATURITY OF NO LONGER THAN 15 YEARS WITH AN AVERAGE LIFE OF NO LONGER THAN 10 YEARS. IDEALLY, WE WOULD SUPPORT LOANS WITH A THREE YEAR GRACE AND 14 YEAR FINAL MATURITY -- TERMS THAT WOULD BE EQUIVALENT TO THOSE OF THE IBRD.
- 2. THIS APPROACH WE FEEL WILL CONTINUE TO ALLOW ACCESS UNCLASSIFIED

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BY RELATIVELY HIGH INCOME COUNTRIES SUCH AS HONG KONG AND SINGAPORE WHILE AT THE SAME TIME MEETING CONGRESSIONAL AND OTHER SENTIMENT WHICH HAS QUESTIONED CONTINUED BANK LENDING, WHATEVER THE TERMS, TO THESE TWO BORROWERS.

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